# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
# LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:107
ANSWERED ON:30.07.2001
NATIONAL YOUTH POLICY
MAHESHWAR SINGH;SURESH CHANDEL

**Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government have formulated any new National Youth Policy for the development of youth;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the time by which the same is likely to be formulated and implemented?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS ( SUSHREE UMA BHARTI)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.107 30.7.2001 REGARDING NATIONAL YOUTH POLICY ASKED BY SHRI SURESH CHANDEL AND SHRI MAHESHWAR SINGH.

(a) & (b): The Government are already having a National Youth Policy which was formulated in 1988. In the light of the changes that have taken place and the experience gained, the Ministry have formulated a draft of the New National Youth Policy in which it has been proposed to lower the defining age of youth from 15-35 years to 13-35 years. The thrust areas of the Draft National Youth Policy-2001 are:-

(i) Youth Empowerment;

(ii) Gender Justice;

(iii) Inter-Sectoral Approach; and

(iv) Information and Research Network.

The Policy recognizes the following sectors as the key sectors of concern for youth:

(i) Education;

(ii) Training and Employment;

(iii) Health;

(iv) Environment;

(v) Sports and Recreation;

(vi) Art and Culture;

(vii) Science and Technology; and

(viii) Civics and Citizenship.

(c ) Question does not arise.

(d) The draft of the New National Youth Policy-2001 is ready to be taken to the Cabinet for approval.